

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the changes in the title and specification requested above.

The present application is the 35 U.S.C. §371 national stage of PCT application PCT/JP2004/019758, filed December 24, 2004, which claims benefit of Japanese application 2003-434151, filed December 26, 2003, and of Japanese application 2004-168849, filed June 7, 2004.

No new matter has been added by virtue of the amendments made to the specification.

CONCLUSION

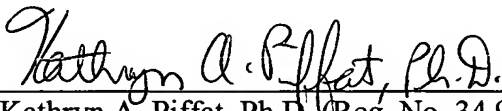
In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, the present application is respectfully considered in condition for allowance. An early reconsideration and notice of allowance are earnestly solicited.

It is believed that all outstanding rejections have been addressed by this submission and that all the claims are in condition for allowance. If discussion of any amendment or remark made herein would advance this important case to allowance, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned as soon as convenient.

It is believed that no extension of time is required. If an extension of time is required, Applicants hereby request the Examiner to consider this a conditional petition for an extension of time. Although it is not believed that any additional fee (in addition to the fee concurrently submitted) is required to consider this submission, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge our deposit account no. 04-1105 should any fee be deemed necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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